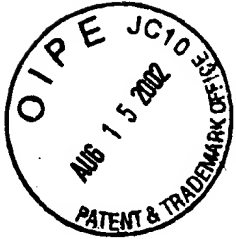


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendments, before substantive examination commences. The new claims are apparatus claims within the confines of Group I of the accompanying Response to 18 June 2002 Election/restriction Requirement.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Amended Claims

1 1.(amended) An apparatus for simulating a pulse and correlated heart beat of an animal, the
2 apparatus comprising a playback device for generating a first electronic signal corresponding to a
3 pulse and a second electronic signal corresponding to a correlated heart beat, a tactile pulse simulator
4 for receiving the pulse signal and generating a pressure pulse discernible by touch and an audio
5 simulator for receiving the correlated heart beat signal and recreating the heart beat to be heard
6 through a stethoscope.

1 2.(amended) An apparatus for simulating a right side pulse and a left side pulse and correlated
2 heart beat of an animal, the apparatus comprising a playback device for generating a first electronic
3 signal corresponding to the right side pulse, a second electronic signal corresponding to the left side
4 pulse and a third electronic signal corresponding to a correlated heart beat, a first tactile pulse

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